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6. At 1330 on 21 June, 10 x 37-mm AA guns, 12 trucks without license plates, billeting equipment and approximately 120 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were unloaded at the Eberswalde railroad station and left toward Britz. <sup>6</sup>

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